



Case No. 4396 D1

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appln. No. : 09/612,829

Confirmation No.: 8746

Applicant(s) : Howard Gregg King et al.

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Examiner : John S. Starsiak, Jr.

For : **SAMPLE HANDLING
SYSTEM FOR A MULTI-
CHANNEL CAPILLARY
ELECTROPHORESIS DEVICE**

Customer No. : 22896

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action mailed February 17, 2004, for which the Examiner has set a three-month period for response, thus making a response due on or before May 17, 2004. A request for a two-month extension of time accompanies this communication.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.